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Weſtminſter, Jan. 21.

HIS Majeſty came this Day to the Houſe of Peers, and being in His Royal Robes ſeated on the Throne, with the uſual Solemnity, Sir William Oldes, Gentleman-Uſher of the Black-Rod, was ſent with a Meſſage from His Majeſty to the Houſe of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the Houſe of Peers; the Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majeſty was pleaſed to give the Royal Aſſent to

An Act for continuing the Act of this preſent Seſſion of Parliament, intitled, An Act to impower His Majeſty to ſecure and detain ſuch Perſons as His Majeſty ſhall ſuſpect are conſpiring againſt His Perſon and Government.

After which His Majeſty was pleaſed to make the following moſt Gracious Speech to both Houſes.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I Had reaſon to believe when I ſpoke laſt to you, that the Pretender was Landed in Scotland; *the Accounts I have received ſince do put it beyond all doubt, that he is heading the Rebellion there, and does aſſume the Stile and Title of King of theſe Realms: His Adherents do likewiſe confidently affirm, that Aſſurances are given them of Support from Abroad. This Parliament hath on all Occaſions expreſſed ſo much Duty to Me, and ſo true a Regard for the religious and civil Rights of My People, that I am perſwaded this daring Preſumption of Our Enemies will heighten your juſt Indignation againſt them, and beget ſuch farther Reſolutions, as, with the Bleſſing of God, will enable Me to Defeat their Attempts.*

Gentlemen of the Houſe of Commons,

The moſt effectual Way to put a ſpeedy End to theſe Troubles, will be to make ſuch a Proviſion as may diſcourage any Foreign Power from Aſſiſting the Rebels; I do therefore hope, that every ſincere Proteſtant and true Britain will look upon the extraordinary Expence, which a timely Preparation may require, to be the beſt Husbandry, ſince it will, in all human Probability, prevent that Deſolation and thoſe Calamities, which would unavoidably enſue if the Rebellion ſhould be ſuffered to ſpread, and be ſupported by Popiſh Forces from Abroad.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

The World muſt be convinced by all you have already done, That you have nothing but the Honour and Intereſt of your Country at Heart; and for My own Part, I rely entirely upon you, and doubt not but you will take ſuch Reſolutions at this Juncture, as will be moſt for the preſent Safety, and future Eaſe of My People.

St. James's, Jan. 21. The following Aſſociation has been preſented to His Majeſty.

An Aſſociation of the Bailiff, Deputy-Steward, Miniſters Capital Burgeſſes, and other Inhabitants of the Borough of Kidderminſter, in the County of Worceſter. Preſented to his Majeſty by Thomas Vernon, Eſq; Knight of the Shire for the ſaid County, introduced by the Right Honourable James Stanhope, Eſq; One of His Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Which Aſſociation His Majeſty was pleaſed to receive very graciouſly.

Venice, Dec. 27. Letters from Dalmatia bring repeated Advices of a Deſign which the Turks had formed to make themſelves Maſters of Zara the Capital of that Province, and likewiſe of Sebenigo by Surprize; that the Vigilance of the Officers commanding there had prevented their Attempt in the firſt Place, but it was not well known how far the Turks had ſucceeded in the latter. We hear from Genoa, that the new Levies and other warlike Preparations which the King of Sicily is making give no little Jealouſy to that Republick, where they are likewiſe very uneaſy on Account of their being in ſuch bad Terms with the Imperial Court; tho' 'tis ſaid that they have ſome hopes this Difference will be ſoon accomodated. Letters from Naples tell us, that *Te Deum* has been ſung in moſt of the Churches there upon the good News of the Empreſs's being with Child.

Inverneſs, Jan. 1. The Earl of Seaforth having drawn together his Clan, and ſome of his diſaffected Neighbours, near the River Beaulie, the Earl of Sutherland detached from hence on the 26th paſt the Lord Lovat with two hundred Men of his Son's Battallion, one hundred and fifty of the Lord Reay's, and as many of Collonel Munro's, with ſixty Men of Mr. Forbes's of Collodon, himſelf and his Brother being with them, and Collonel George Grant with three hundred of his Brother the Brigadier's Men; and theſe were joyned at the River Beaulie by ſeven hundred Men of the Frafers, of whom one hundred were Gentlemen, who were overjoyed to ſee their Chief the Lord Lovat amongſt them. On the 27th they advanced within Sight of the Rebels, the River being between them. Then the Counteſs Dowager of Seaforth propoſed an Interview with my Lord Lovat, in which it was agreed, that the Earl her Son ſhould diſmiſs his Men, lay down his Arms, return to his Obedience to His Majeſty King George, and not ſtir from his Houſe at Brahan till His Majeſty's Pleaſure concerning him ſhould be known. This Submiſſion was to be ſent under the Earl of Seaforth's Hand the next Morning to the Lord Lovat, but it not being done, Preparation was made for paſſing the River Beaulie. On the 29th an Account was brought hither to the Earl of Sutherland, that the Lord Lovat was fallen very ill, and that the Earl of Seaforth had not ſubmitted. Hereupon the Earl of Sutherland ſet out at one a Clock the next Morning, and rode to the Beaulie: He found the Lord Lovat better, and the Men all ready. They paſſed the River over the Ice, and ſhewed great Eagerneſs for Action; but as they were marching up the Hill towards the Rebels, the Earl of Seaforth ſent his Submiſſion ſigned with his own Hand. It had not been accepted, if the Rebels could have been attacked; but they had reſolved to retire to their Hills and Woods, whither the Earl of Sutherland's Men could not have followed them for want of Proviſions.

St. James's, Jan. 23. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint the Earl of Sutherland to be Lord Lieutenant of the Iſlands of Orkney and Zetland, in the room of the Earl of Morton deceas'd.

Whereas it has been thought neceſſary, That all Invalid Out-Penſioners of Chelſea-Hoſpital, ſhould take out Furlows every Half Year, in order to their regular Muſters, and that the Place of their Abode may be known; and whereas very few Furlows were taken out at the late Payment, Theſe are to give Notice to all Invalid Out-Penſioners, that they forthwith appear at the Secretary's Office at Chelſea-Hoſpital, in order to take out their Furlows; and that ſuch as do not

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